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The applicants ask the examiner to reconsider and withdraw the restriction requirement for at least the reasons provided below. In addition, the applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, claims 1-38, these claims having been identified by the examiner as Invention I or Group I.

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